SWAM Purchasing Plan Projection Plan – FY 2006 Due Date: October 1, 2005

Marine Resources Commission

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Description of the Agency's Purchasing Process

The agency is headquartered in Newport News, Virginia. The agency has approximately 160 positions, with about one-half of these positions located in the agency headquarters. The remainder of the positions are field positions, and are located throughout Tidewater Virginia - to include Hampton Roads, the Eastern Shore, the Northern Neck and the Middle Peninsula areas of Virginia. These field positions are primarily Marine Police officers, but also include some Surveying Personnel and some Fisheries and Oyster Replenishment personnel.

Primary Commodities Purchased:

Gasoline for Boats Supplies and Equipment for Boats Repair work for 50+ Boats

Boats, Motors and Trailers

Supplies/Repair parts for Engines

Police Supplies and Equipment

Office Supplies and Equipment

Data Entry Services

Oyster Replenishment/Restoration Services

Towing and Deployment, and/or Fabrication of Concrete Structures for Placement on Chesapeake Bay Artificial Reefs

Temporary Clerical Services

Maintenance and Repair Services for Agency Radio System

Paging Services

Computer Equipment and Supplies and Services

Surveying Supplies and Equipment

Various Species of Tidal Fish

The agency purchases primarily from established State contracts, and mandatory State sources. If goods and supplies are not available from these sources, the agency's primary tool for procurement is eVA, and purchases are primarily made from vendors registered with the State eVA system. Purchases are made using the State Purchasing Charge Card, whenever possible.

The Purchasing function is handled primarily by staff in the Agency Headquarters building (2600 Washington Avenue) and the Operations facility (30 Jefferson Avenue), both located in downtown Newport News. Purchases of gasoline and small parts/supplies for boats and trailers are made by agency Marine Police Officers, during their normal course of patrol work throughout Tidewater Virginia.

The agency follows the State policy on solicitation from Minority and Women-Owned Businesses, as described in 3.10e of the <u>Agency Procurement and Surplus Property Manual</u>.

Where there is adequate registration in the commodity:

- 1) for solicitations up to \$5,000, the Marine Resources Commission will solicit quotes from a minimum of one (1) minority or women-owned business
- 2) for solicitations over \$5,000 to \$50,000, the Marine Resources Commission will solicit four (4) sources, including a minimum of two (2) minority or women-owned businesses
- 3) for solicitations over \$50,000, the Marine Resources Commission will solicit six (6) sources, including a minimum of four (4) minority or women-owned business. Sealed bids or proposals will include businesses selected from a list made available by the Department of Minority Business Enterprise, as described in the Code of Virginia, Section 2.2-4310A, and will be identified as minority vendors on the vendor mailing list

SWAM Business Outreach

The agency utilizes the website listing maintained by the State Department of Minority Business Enterprises to find Minority, Women-Owned and Small Businesses. The agency uses the State eVA system maintained by the State Department of General Services, Division of Purchases and Supply to find Minority, Women-Owned and Small Businesses. The agency will use resources and information provided by the State Purchasing Charge Card program, to seek SWAM vendors.

The Marine Resources Commission will visit job fairs and/or trade shows in an attempt to locate SWAM vendors. In addition, the agency has contacted Purchasing Departments of other State Agencies, and surrounding Tidewater localities, to obtain their listings of SWAM vendors. The agency has encouraged its field personnel to help locate SWAM vendors throughout the Tidewater Virginia area.

The agency will contact local Minority Supplier Councils, and other resources located on the State DMBE website to locate SWAM vendors.

On its website, the Marine Resources Commission posts links to the Department of General Services, Department of Purchases and Supply and to the Department of Minority Business Enterprises, and will post information about procurement opportunities at the agency.

The agency will encourage known Minority, Women-Owned and Small Businesses, from the agency SWAM database, to register with the State eVA system, and to certify with the State Department of Minority Business Enterprises, to encourage their potential business opportunities with other State agencies and institutions..

Lastly, the agency plans to run ads in several Tidewater newspapers, in an attempt to broaden its base/pool of potential SWAM vendors.

Race and Gender-neutral options

The agency will include goals for Minority and Women-Owned Businesses, in solicitations where the contract is expected to be over \$100,000 in value. These goals will reflect the goals in the Marine Resources Commission SWAM plan, and will require that a subcontracting plan be submitted prior to contract award. Virginia certified minority or women-owned contractors who serve as prime contractors will receive credit for minority or women-owned subcontracting work performed by such prime.

Achievement of these goals, by the contractor, shall be demonstrated to the agency, before final payment is made.

The agency will at all times adhere to the Virginia Prompt Payment Law and will encourage prime contractors to provide prompt payment to subcontractors.

Efforts will be made to provide current notices of potential procurement opportunities on the agency website, and to provide links to procurement information on eVA and Virginia Business Opportunities (both located on the state Department of General Services, Division of Purchases and Supply website), and to provide links to VITA and DMBE websites.

Race and Gender Oriented Options

As stated above, and described again below, the agency will follow these guidelines for solicitations of goods and services:

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The agency will make all possible efforts to broaden it's base of SWAM vendors, using the strategies listed in the section entitled "SWAM Business Outreach".

Process/Procedure for Monitoring the Agency's SWAM purchases

Name of Responsible Party:

Jane McCroskey

Each agency purchaser is responsible for ensuring that adequate solicitation has been done from SWAM Businesses prior to a purchase being made, and that adequate documentation is maintained of solicitation efforts. The purchase process will be reviewed prior to release of orders in eVA, prior to signing of contracts, and through periodic assessment of agency purchases and payments records.

Second Tier (Subcontracting) participation will be monitored by submission of progress and final reports from the Prime Contractor.

Procurement activity at the Marine Resources Commission is primarily done at the Newport News Headquarters facility, there will be no need to monitor activity at regional facilities.

SWAM Aspirational Goals for the following purchasing categories, percentage goal and dollar value

These goals are contingent upon certification of existing SWAM vendors, utilized by the agency, in the approved data base maintained by the Department of Minority Business Enterprises, and continued certification by vendors currently used by the agency, and certified with DMBE. The agency estimates that it has \$3.8 million dollars in discretionary dollars to spend in the current fiscal year.

Small

Women-Owned

Minority-Owned

Construction

The agency does not purchase construction services

Arch & Eng & Prof. Services

The agency does not purchase any of these services

Other Services

15%/\$570,000

1.5%/\$57,000

.5%/\$19,000

Goods and Supplies

5%/\$190,000

1.0%/\$38,000

.5%/\$19,000

<u>Projected Second-Tier (Sub-Contracting aspiration goals, for the following purchasing categories, percentage goal and dollar value</u>

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Minority-Owned

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Arch & Eng & Prof Services

The agency does not purchase any of these services

Other Services

The agency does not believe that any subcontracting opportunities exist for the purchase of goods and supplies, or have any way to document

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Signed:

Villiam A. Pruitt, Commissioner

Date:

September 28, 2005